

ROYAL NEW SOUTH WALES INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

115th ANNUAL REPORT 1976

The Royal N.S.W. Institute For Deaf and Blind Children

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115th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ROYAL N.S.W. INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

will be held in

The Auditorium, Central School for Blind Children.

Deaf and Blind Children's Centre.

North Rocks Road, North Rocks

on Thursday, February 3, 1977 at 3 p.m.

In the presence of

Senator the Hon, J. L. Carrick, Minister for Education.

In the Chair, Sir Garfield Baricick, G.C.M.G.,

President.



- To receive and confirm the Minutes of the 114th Annual General Meeting of February 18, 1976.
- 2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report of the Directors and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended September 30, 1976
- 3. (a) To elect the Office-bearers.
 - (b) To elect Directors.
 - (c) To elect the Honorary Auditors.
 - (d) To appoint the Honorary Professional Staff.
- 4. To deal with any business arising relevant to an Annual General Meeting as specified by the Act of Incorporation and the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations made in pursuance thereof.

By Order of the Board W. E. HASEMER, Hon, Secretary.

Sydney, January J. 1977.





PATRON:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
OF NEW SOUTH WALES
SIR RODEN CUTLER, V.C., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.B.E.



PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

I preface this foreword by a personal tribute to a man whose achievements in his life-time in the fields of commerce, of sport, of the arts and our way of life generally were crowned during his later years by his successful leadership of this Royal Institute which prospered under his

presidency over the last decade.

Sir William Walkley died during the year which this Report reviews. Despite a long term of chronic illness which forced him to relinquish many—if not all—of his other activities and interests, he sustained his concern in and work for the Institute until his death on April 12, 1976. His contributions over nearly 20 years were very substantial indeed—not only in terms of financial support but in giving so much of himself for the furtherance of the work.

Having by appointment of the Board and at the unanimous wish of the Directors accepted the responsibility of succession, it is my hope that, in emulation of my late good friend, "W.G." as we affectionately knew

him, I too can make a worthwhile contribution as President.

During my first five months in office, I have received a great measure of assistance from my colleagues, the Directors. Without it I could not have

functioned as President. I am most grateful,

The work and time involved in maintaining an oversight of the extensive services for the children and in planning for the expansion of the School for Multi-Handicapped Blind Children have been intensive. The various Standing Committees of the Board under their respective Chairmen have met whenever necessary and the soundness of recommendations coming forward from those Committees to the full Board reflect the capacity and worth of the Committees.

The assiduity and constant activity of the various Clubs, Committees and

Auxiliaries are, I believe, an inspiration to all of us.

The staff, both at The Centre and Head Office, have constantly demon-

strated their regard for the children's welfare.

Finally, I thank our distinguished Patron, His Excellency the Governor, and Lady Cutler for their deep interest in the work of the Institute which is reflected in their obvious knowledge and awareness of so much detail of our work and their ready response to our every request for assistance.

GARFIELD E. BARWICK, President.

Santa Claus meets little blind David from North Rocks at the Variety Club's Christmas Party. (Photo by courtesy of "The Sydney Morning Herald")



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YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30.

1976

We are obliged to . . . persist constantly into unexplored, poorly defined and previously neglected areas, for no man lives beyond our interest and every man is due our concern." — FREDERICK WHITEHOUSE.

The Directors present herewith the One Hundred and Fifteenth Report of the Institute. The year has been a successful one although the economic problems encountered by the Nation have not been mitigated in the case of the various welfare agencies generally or of this Royal Institute in particular.

The matters dealt with under the heading "Finance" later in this report and the figures shown in the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet appearing on Pages 14 and 15 will hopefully be read with satisfaction and with the approval of members and all those who are concerned with the welfare of not only today's children but those of posterity.

THE CENTRE

The operation at the Institute's Deaf and Blind Children's Centre at North Rocks is a complex one indeed, combining as it does the special schools, residences and nursing home, and demanding regular in-depth examination at Board level of the existing policies, so that the education of and facilities and services for our charges maintain the highest standards.

Your Board has given much attention to the development and extension of extra-curricular activities and provision of additional medical, para-medical, parent counselling and welfare services. Additional highly specialised and costly technical equipment has been provided, such as the audio calculators and the Optacons. (see page 16).

The former device provides an audible answer for the blind user to digital exercise on an otherwise conventional pocket calculator. The Optacon, by use in the right hand of an electronic probe which provides the outline of a printed letter on a tactile matrix for the left hand, enables the blind person to read the printed word.

The appointment of a Physiotherapist, Speech Therapist and additional trained nursing staff has been necessitated by the increase in population of children with a multiplicity of handicaps, allied to total blindness or severe visual impairement. Behavioural modification programmes have been organised and innovatory educational experiments conducted by highly qualified and competent staff with gratifying and sometimes astoundingly progressive results

A typical problem was posed by a profoundly deaf boy who came to us aged twelve years. He was a seriously disturbed compulsive eater yet, despite this, weighed only 17 kilograms. Intensive care and special diet maintained him at a static weight but, whenever removed from our care for weekends, hospitalisation or vacations, he lost weight. Arrangements were made for prolonged investigation at Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children where a total of about 25 Specialists examined him over a period of 13 weeks. Their suggestions for continued care have been followed since May, 1976, and our Centre staff have rejoiced at every kilogram gained and groaned at every kilogram lost. The gain in weight is only 6 kilograms after this time of intensive effort but our (now 13 year old) protege is both surviving and showing flashes of typical teenage independence.

Key words in the Institute's vocabulary are "understanding", "initiative" and "co-operation". To understand the problem; to initiate action to overcome it; and to give and receive co-operation at all levels in every facet of the overall operation is the only way to a satisfactory solution.

A most outstanding advance during a challenging and successful year was the product of precisely such understanding, initiative and co-operation. This resulted in the publication of the N.S.W. Dictionary of Finger Spelling and Signs, "Let's Talk With Our Hands". For years the direction and training of child-care workers in the residences in communication with the deaf children has been one of the greatest problems.

The production of "Let's Talk With Our Hands" has at last provided an 'authority' on which to base our training programmes in communication and language. In individual association with the deaf children at the Centre the staff are constantly concerned as to whether they are helping or hindering the child. The task of communicating is no longer considered to be a speciality of the educationists alone. All staff who will make the effort can now enrich the silent world of the deaf by adding language in the meaningful way outlined in the foreword and instructions given on the use of this outstanding resource book. It resulted from the excellent co-operation between the School, the Parents and the Board.

Co-operation has been given intelligently, sympathetically and understandingly by almost every visitor who has been welcomed onto the North Rocks Centre throughout the year. The welding together of the North Rocks and Head Office administrations in these instructive Public Relations exercises has been of overall benefit to the children who have been able to meet an abundance of many types of people from all walks of life with many skills and a

variety of social backgrounds. This has been done without denying the children their basic rights to receive an education and without too great an invasion of their periods of instruction.

Child population in the various categories is shown below:

Blind Deaf Blind Multi-Handicapped Deaf	Blind	57 49 12 131
TOTAL		249

of these, the majority are resident pupils.



Darren, of the Blind Multi-Handicapped School being taught to ride at the Rosedale Riding School.

FINANCE

This, of course, is of prime importance and a source of constant concern and consideration to the Directors and particularly so to the Finance Committee which meets regularly and frequently to assess and report and recommend on the developing position in funding. Your Directors are happy to be able to vouch the soundness of the Institute's financial position, its fiscal policies and overall administration, and to report that the Board's directions have been capably implemented by management.

Although operating expenditure has increased by \$354,000 a substantial proportion of this has been to meet costs of additional services provided for the children.

Additional admissions of Multi-Handicapped Children have accounted for a further proportion. The actual increase of cost against last year's basic cost structure was 18%.

Grateful acknowledgement is made to the Federal and State Governments for the substantial financial support given, to an extent of \$783,770, in subsidies and capital grants, a substantial increase on the previous year's revenue from these sources.

The income from legacies decreased by \$48,033 to a figure of \$259,091.

Capital Investments have improved by \$236,000 to a total of \$564,000. This sum is still regarded by your Board as being scarcely adequate.

The record income of \$2,072,029 was an increase of 47% on the total receipts for the previous year and reflects creditably on all concerned. Your Board acknowledges the value of these efforts most gratefully and is very much aware of the unflagging zeal of the Clubs, Committees and Auxiliaries and of the continuing generosity of the Institute's many good friends and supporters.

FORWARD PLANNING

The Board's pioneering of the first programme in Australia designed to educate Multi-Handicapped Blind Children became operative in 1974 when a new unit housing both residence and school was designed and built for these severely handicapped children. The pilot programme accepted 12 children all with severely visual impairment and with a great variety of multiple handicaps.

The success so quickly achieved by the Board's teaching staff in this area has made possible the extension of the programme to provide for those numbers of Multi-Handicapped children presently awaiting admission.

In order to make possible the necessary expansion and to provide the buildings and equipment, your Board has set aside \$411,000 which has been transferred to a Special Project Account. This is shown on the financial statement appearing on Page 15.

Your Board has been assured of Federal Government subsidy for the capital costs on a basis of four to one, but the Institute is required to meet its 20% share of the capital expenditure which is estimated at \$2,500,000 from its own resources and is not permitted to seek loan moneys for this purpose.

With the support so generously pledged by the Royal New South Wales Bowling Association, it is confidently expected the building will commence towards the end of 1977.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sir Kenneth Humphreys was invited to join the Board during the year.

In accepting appointment as a Director, Sir Kenneth confirmed his interest in the welfare of the children. Sir Kenneth was appointed a Life Governor of the Institute in 1969 in recognition of outstanding service. He has maintained his constant concern and continued his active interest.

His business experience and acumen is a valuable asset and is acknowledged and appreciated by his colleagues. The Directors record their pleasure in the appointment as a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire of the Board's Honorary Secretary, Walter Hasemer. Mr. Hasemer has given long and devoted service for over twenty years and her Majesty's recognition is well deserved.



Skateboards are very popular with the deat children.

Mrs. Anne Laws, Parent Counsellor for deaf children teaching little Kathy how to talk.



It is with profound regret that we record the deaths during the year of two distinguished members of the Board, the President, Sir William Walkley, C.B.E., and Sir Leslie Hooker, both of whom had given long service to the welfare of handicapped children in this State.

SIR WILLIAM WALKLEY, C.B.E.

Sir William took a prominent part in raising funds to finance the schools for dually handicapped deaf and blind children during the early 1960's. Subsequently he joined the Board and was elected President in 1965, an office he held

until his death in April, 1976.

He was widely known as the founder of Ampol Petroleum Limited, and the pioneer of the postwar search for oil in Australia. He also assisted a wide range of sporting activities throughout the Commonwealth by his generous sponsorships. The cause dearest to his heart however, was the welfare of the children at the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre.

SIR LESLIE HOOKER

Sir Leslie too, was one of Australia's most dynamic businessmen, and like Sir William, was a self-made man, who, from tiny beginnings built the Hooker Corporation into a huge real estate empire with allied interests. He took a keen and active interest in many charitable organisations and was particularly concerned with the problems of deaf and blind children.

A Vice-President of Sydney Hospital, Sir Leslie was also a Life Governor of the Royal Institute for many years. He joined the Board in 1973 and was an active member until his death in

April 1976.

The Board extends its deepest sympathy to Lady Walkley and to Lady Hooker and members of her family.





REGIONAL OFFICES

After considerable investigation, it was decided to open a new regional office of the Royal Institute at Wollongong to cater for the Illawarra District, and Mrs. Barbara Quintrell has been appointed Administrator.

There are now nine children from the Illawarra District in residence at the Centre and the Administrator acts as a liaison between officers of the Department of Education, the Health Commission. Special Schools and Parents whose children would benefit from the care and facilities available at the Centre.

The Illawarra District embraces the area from National Park to Bateman's Bay and includes the Southern

Tablelands and the towns of Moss Vale, Bowral and Mittagong. We have two vigorous Lantern Clubs in this area, at Wollongong and Dapto and it is hoped that additional Clubs will be formed in the future.

Our well-established Northern Branch, under the direction of Mr. Colin Styman again functioned successfully during the year both in the areas of welfare and fundraising.

In addition to the Golden Light Committee in Newcastle, there are now five Lantern Clubs operating in the area; Manning Valley, Cessnock, Maitland, Belmont and Beresfield. Each of these Clubs had eminently satisfactory fund-raising years which reflects great credit on these indefatigable committees and members.

STANDING COMMITTEES

POLICIES:

Sir Garfield Barwick, G.C.M.G., Chairman

*Lieut. Col. G. E. Colvin, C.M.G., D.S.O. AND BAR, F.D. Mr. M. Eisner, O.B.1.

Mr. J. D. L. Gaden, O.B.F.

Mr. W. E. Hasemer, M.B.I. Mr. S. G. Varvaressos

*Died 6-12-75.

ART UNION:

Sir Frederick Sutton, O.B.F., Chairman

Mr. M. A. Buckley

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Mr. S. G. Varvaressos

Mr. L. Watters

* Died 6-12-75.

FINANCE:

Mr. M. A. Buckley, Chairman

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Mr. J. D. L. Gaden, O.B.E.

Mr. W. E. Hasemer, M.B.E.

Sir Kenneth Humphreys

Sir Charles Moses, C.B.E.

Sir Frederick Sutton, O.B.E.

Mr. S. G. Varvaressos *Died 6-12-75.

WELFARE:

Mr. M. Eisner, O.B.E., Chairman

Mr. S. G. Varvaressos, Deputy Chairman

Mr. W. E. Hasemer, M.B.E.

Dr. S. Hing, M.B., B.S., D.G.O., D.(Obst.), R.C.O.G., L.M.,

Capt. R. J. Ritchie, C.B.E.

BUILDING:

Cavalier J. A. Bayutti, A.O., Chairman

Mr. M. A. Buckley

Dr. S. Hing, M.B., B.S., D.G.O., D. (Obst.), R.C.O.G., L.M., M.A.C.E.

*Sir Leslie Hooker

Mr. M. C. Timbs

Mr. C. Summerhayes, Co-opted Member

* Died 29-4-76.





The Minister for Social Services, Senator Margaret Guilfoyle, makes friends with Janet, a blind multi-handicapped child, during the Minister's inspection of the Centre.

KINDRED BODIES

Your Board maintains close liaison with organisations having common interests. These include both voluntary agencies and Government instrumentalities. Federal and State.

The Directors' policy of maintaining meaningful dialogue with overseas and Australian organisations continues. The resulting awareness of development at home and abroad ensures that we are abreast of latest techniques and developments in the fields of blind and deaf welfare, with emphasis upon education and training.

Contact with the Adult Deaf Society of N.S.W., the Royal Guide Dogs for the Blind Association of Australia. the Royal Blind Society of NS.W and the Association of Blind Citizens of N.S.W., as well as with kindred organisations in other States, is maintained. Regular dialogue continues with the American Foundation for

Girl-Guiding is a fine interest. Here a blind girl is shown knot-tying by a sighted member of the troop.

Overseas Blind, American Foundation for the Blind, the Royal National Institute for the Blind (United Kingdom), the Royal National Institute for the Deaf (United Kingdom) and the Royal New Zealand Foundation for the Blind.

Mr. J. T. Harris, Assistant Chief Executive is a member of the Executive Committee of the Australian National Council for the Blind, of which body the Institute is a full member. The Honorary Secretary of the Institute's Board, Mr. W. E. Hasemer, M.B.E., remains as President of the State Branch of the National Council, of which the Institute's President, Sir Garfield Barwick is National Patron.

Mr. J. T. Harris represents the Institute on the Australian Council of Social Services. He is also a Member of the N.S.W. Forum for Deaf Education & Welfare, and of its Steering Committee. Mr. Harris is a Member of the Access Committee of the Australian Council for Rehabilitation of the Disabled.

The Chief Executive, Mr. S. Swaine, is a Member of the State Government's Consultative Council on the Handicapped and a Member of its Administration Committee. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Australian Council for Rehabilitation of the Disabled and of its N.S.W. Liaison Committee. He is Chairman of the Council's Working Party on Residential Care and of the Council's newly-formed sub-committee on Public Relations. Mr. Swaine is a Member of the Committee on Asian Affairs of the World Council for the Welfare of the Blind as Australian representative.

In addition to acceptance of some administrative and functional responsibilities for certain Australian national bodies, your Institute supports them by substantial financial assistance.

The annual cost of affiliation fees and grants to assist in the national welfare of the blind and deaf amounts to \$4265. This item is included in the Accounts published on pages 14 and 15 of the Annual Report.

DEAF EDUCATION RESEARCH

Our Research Fellow into the education of the deaf, Miss Angela Wilson, inspected the educational facilities for the deaf and partially deaf in Perth during the year. She also attended Seminars and conferences on special education in Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney. Her major research programme was a eurriculum development project at the North Rocks Central School for Deaf Children.

She also gave assistance and guidance to the staff of the Deaf Blind Trainable School at North Rocks and studied behaviour problems among deaf girls within the boarding establishment at the Centre.

She has given much of her own free time, outside her Research Programme, in advising and assisting with many of the children's communication problems.

INTERNATIONAL DEAF/BLIND SEMINAR

The Royal Institute was host to the Sixth International Seminar of Teachers of the Deaf/Blind which was held at the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre from August 29 to September 3, during the Spring School holidays.

More than 240 educationists from 11 countries and from every State of the Commonwealth attended the Seminar, which was opened officially by our President, Sir Garfield Barwick

The conference was organised by the Royal Institute, the New South Wales Education Department and the International Committee for Education of the Deaf/Blind, and was the most comprehensive of its nature ever held in Australia.

In his opening address, Sir Garfield Barwick commented on the wide range and depth of topics on the agenda. He stressed the complexities of the task of giving the benefits of communications to the deaf/blind.

A remarkable address was given by Dr. Richard Kinney, President of the Hadley School for the Blind, Winnetka, Illinois, who is profoundly deaf and totally blind, having lost his sight at the age of seven and his hearing at the age of 20. While he gave his speech orally, he used an interpreter to translate the questions to him.

Outstanding papers were delivered by experts in facets of the education and training of the deaf/blind. These have been collated and printed in book form by the Royal Institute as a community service. Copies of this book are available from the Institute at a nominal charge of \$5.00 post free.





Gail who is a blind midd handicapped child, using touch to learn the facial features of the Principal of the School, Mr. Garth Smith



Group photograph of the participants in the 6th International Deaf-Blud Seminar at North Rocks last August. Representatives attended from 11 overseas countries and from interstate.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The closest possible liaison has been maintained between the Department of Education and the Royal Institute in all matters affecting the education and well-being of the children in our charge at the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre. This ready and helpful co-operation has continued for many years and stems directly from the Minister for Education and from his Director-General, Mr. J. Buggie.

The Board is indebted to the Director of Guidance and Special Education. Mr. P. J. Doherty, to his Inspector for Visually and Hearing Impaired Children, Mr. Keith Watkins and to the Special Education Consultant for the Hearing Impaired. Mr. Ross Shaw, for their assistance

and guidance on many occasions.

The Board takes this opportunity too of thanking the Principals and Teaching Staffs of the Central School for Blind Children and of the Central School for Deaf Children within the North Rocks complex.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF AND HONORARY PROFESSIONAL STAFF

The Board records its deep appreciation of the dedicated medical and dental services given to the children at North Rocks Centre during the past 12 months. The constant and unremitting eare of the ladies and gentlemen concerned has been responsible for the high standards of health maintained.

Mr. Mauriee J. Buckley, our Honorary Solicitor. has given freely of his professional and valued knowledge as have our Honorary Auditors, Messrs. A. W. Butterell, Porter and Company, and our Honorary Consulting Architects, Messrs. Summerhayes and Summerhayes.

The Board is profoundly grateful to all of these gentlemen.



LIFE GOVERNORS

The highest honour the Board can confer upon any person is to appoint him a Life Governor of the Royal Institute. This distinction is awarded only to people who have given extraordinary assistance or outstanding service to the children at our Centre. Only twenty Life Governorships have been awarded in the 116 years' history of the organisation.

During the past year Life Governorships were conferred upon: A. W. Butterell Esq., Miss Joan Sutherland, A.C., C.B.E., and her husband Richard Bonynge Esq., Dr. John Gregory-Roberts, B.Sc., M.B., B.S., and Howell

W. Swanton Esq.



Joan Sutherland was appointed a Life Governor of the Royal Institute during her visit to North Rocks recently.

A little deaf girl has her teeth examined by one of our honorary dentists.

COMMITTEES, AUXILIARIES AND CLUBS

Totreutial rain once again this year washed out the Golden Committee's first function of the year at the home of Mrs. Pat Colvin, but a successful subsequent function was held later at her home. Mrs. Kirby arranged a successful luncheon in the garden of her home in St. Ives, and another most enoyable function was held at the home of Lady Tyree of Darling Point, the special guest being the English comedian Derek Nimmo. August saw the very special occasion of the "Joan Sutherland Recital" when His Excellency the Governor and Lady Cutler graciously opened their home to the Golden Committee for what can properly be described as "The Lovehest Night of the Year".

In September the Committee presented the largest amount ever raised by a single Committee in the sum of \$20,000. The youthful Silver Committee staged a succession of events during the year, with the emphasis on fashion parades. Each one was a pronounced success, both socially and linancially and reflected much credit on the Committee.

It is opportune to mention the praiseworthy work of the Killara Auxiliary which is small in numbers and consequently holds only three or four functions a year. However, each of these functions is undoubtedly a happy and indeed a generous occasion.

Both the Lady Pathlinders and the Pathfinders Auxiliaries had successful years as the result of numerous carefully organised fund-raising events including the Annual Art Union and Art Exhibitions.

Other Committees also contributed considerable sums to the Institute. The Newcastle Golden Light Committee was particularly venturesome in arranging their first film premiere "Pienic at Hanging Rock", a complete innovation in Newcastle and indeed a night to be remembered. The Lord Mayor of Newcastle was Guest of Honour with Miss Helen Morse, star of the film

Iwo new Committees were formed during the year the Open Door Committee and the Questors. Members of the latter comprise entrants in the Lovely Motherhood Quest.

Early in the year the Lantern Clubs combined to hold a very successful film premiere of "Lucky Lady", which was followed by supper at the Hilton Hotel.

The Eleventh Annual Conference of the Lantern Club Movement was held at the Wentworth Hotel on November 3 with a record attendance of more than 550 members. The Guest of Honour was Mrs. J. D. Anthony, wife of the Leader of the National Country Party of Australia. Mrs. Anthony delighted the guests with her charm and informed interest in the work of the Institute. The Guest Speaker was Mr. J. T. Harris, Assistant Chief Executive of the Institute, who gave an account of proceedings at two international welfare seminars which he attended in Teheran and Tel Aviv as the representative of the Royal Institute. The Honorary Secretary, Mr. Walter Hasemer, gave details of the fund-raising results of each club for the year.

The President of the Institute, Sir Garfield Barwick. G.C.M.G., presented Life Membership Certificates to several members of Lantern Clubs in recognition of their outstanding service to the Royal Institute.

Two new Lantern Clubs were formed during the year—the Manning Valley Lantern Club, near Taree, and the Dapto Lantern Club. The President of the Lantern Clubs, Mrs. Van Nooten, announced that the Lantern Club Movement now comprises 33 clubs in the city, metropolitan and country areas.

The total amount raised by Committees, Auxiliaries and Clubs including their contributions to the Lovely Mother-hood Quest and Pen Days, set a record of \$185,327.



The wife of the Deputy Prime Minister, Mrs. J. D. Anthony, (right) with the President of the Central Council of Lantern Clubs, Mrs. Jean Van Nooten and the President of the Parramatta Lantern Club Mrs. Edna Davis, (left) at the 11th Annual Conference of Lantern Clubs.

THE ROYAL NEW SOUTH WALES INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

BALANCE SHEET 30th SEPTEMBER, 1976

1055		19	76
1975	Accumuated Funds and Endowments		3,710,842
3,614.959 —	Funds Designated for the New Project		411,000
	Trust Funds:		
45.504	Capital	47,005	
1,445	Income	1,440	
			48,445
108,932	Current Liabilities		116,438
\$3,770,840			\$4,286,725
	Represented by:		
3,058.059	Fixed Assets at Cost Deduct Provision for Depreciation		3,102,633
6.020	Investments at Par Value		15,114
328,400	Advances on First Mortgage		563,900
	Trust Investments and Trust Funds		
10.000	1nvestments .	47,500	
36.949	Trust Bank Account	945	
			48,445
331,412	Current Assets		556,633
\$3,770,840			\$4,286,725

NOTES:

- 1. The Title Deeds for the Chandos Street property are lodged at the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Limited as security for overdraft accommodation.
- 2. There exists a commitment of approximately \$530,000 for Capital Expenditure for additions to the North Rocks property.

AUDITORS' REPORT

In our opinion:

- 1. The above Balance Sheet of The Royal New South Wales Institute for Deaf and Blind Children has been properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Royal New South Wales Institute for Deaf and Blind Children at 30th September, 1976.
- 2. The attached Statement of Revenue and Capital Funds Received Showing Expenditure and Charges Applicable Thereto has been properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Revenue and Capital Funds Received Showing Expenditure and Charges Applicable Thereto for the year ended 30th September, 1976.

A. W. BUTTERELL, Partner A. W. BUTTERELL, PORTER & CO.

Chartered Accountants

Registered under the Public Accountants' Registration Act, 1945, as amended.

SYDNEY

This 7th day of January, 1977.

THE ROYAL NEW SOUTH WALES INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND CAPITAL FUNDS RECEIVED SHOWING EXPENDITURE AND CHARGES APPLICABLE THERETO FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1976

1975		1976	1975			1976
3,621	Advertising, Agency Fees & Contract Staff	5,522		ENDOWMENTS RECEIVED		
2,000	Audit Fees	2,500	304,804	Legacies	259,206	
1,395	Accountancy Fees — Special	1,339		Deduct Loss (Profit) on Real-		
3,199	Cost of Prizes for Quest, Raffles, etc.	4,227	(2,320)	isation of Investments re- ceived as Legacies	115	
2,899	Contributions & Subscriptions to Kindred Bodies	4,534	307,124	-		259,091
77,058	Depreciation	83,693				237,071
31,137	Fuel, Light and Power	29,376		INCOME		
_	Funds Designated for the New Project	411,000	43,990	Art Union Proceeds	67,094	
42,424	Groceries and Provisions	46,399	72,187	Collectors Remittances	80,075	
14,702	Insurance	18,974		Clubs, Committees and Aux-		
12,131	Interest and Bank Charges	1,686	104,401	iliaries	136,536	
10,830	Journal Production Costs	13,085	224,804	General Donations	251,580	
	Laundry and Other Domestic Payments	3,075	7,627	Lantern Light Publication	13,673	
23,254	Maintenance of Property and Equipment	22,539	93,433	Special Grants, Donations, Functions and Appeals	313,080	
1,095	Medical, Dental and Optical Expenses	2,659	5.46.442	•		0.63.030
15,471	Motor Vehicle Expenses	18,514	546,442			862,038
3,650	North Rocks Requisites	7,808		OTHER ITEMS		
4,367	Office Expenses	7,596		Board and Lodging — Staff	32,596	
22,930	Parent Counselling, Children's Amenities and Extra-carricula Training	33,532	311,895	Government Subsidies	783,770	
24,524	Postage	17,744	44,538	Interest and Dividends Re- ceived	61052	
24,731	Printing and Stationery	23,261	44,230	Maintenance Contributions	64,052	
9,524	Provision for Long Service Leave	10,887	199,844	for Children	63,805	
32,519	Publicity and Public Relations	52,241	2,523	Profit on Sale of Assets	6,677	
5,164	Rates and Taxes	2,369	558,800			950,900
14,593	Rent, Cleaning and Security	10,471				75.05700
791,198	Salaries, Wages and Allowances	1,090,709				
8,699	Superannuation and Provident Fund	10,741				
12,461	Telephones	16,402		S. G. VARVARESSOS	s	
13,127	Travelling — Local and Interstate	16,923			J,	
2,451	— Overseas	6,340		Hon. Treasurer.		
1,211,154		1,976,146				
201,212	Balance Transferred to Accumulated Funds and Endowments	95,883				
\$1,412,366		\$2,072,029	\$1,412,366			\$2,072,029

ACCUMULATED FUNDS AND ENDOWMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1976

3.614,959	Balance 30th September,	1976	3,710,842		Balance 1st October, 1975 Accumulation for the Year	3,614,959 95,883
\$3,614,959			\$3,710,842	\$3,614,959		\$3,710,842



An Optacon Teaching and Reading Clinic has been set up at the Central School for blind children. Mrs. Allan and Julie demonstrate the Optacon Reading-Teaching System. Mrs. Allan is shown using the visual display unit.



Mr. Edward Shields and Glynnis demonstrate the Speed Building Method with the Automatic Page Scanner System.

ART UNIONS

The innovations introduced by the Art Union Committee to overcome the operational difficulties experienced during the previous financial year were eminently successful and a total amount of \$67,094.10 was raised this financial year. This is a record and compares favourably with last year's figure of \$43,990.

The Board extends its sincere thanks and congratulations to Vice-President Sir Frederick Sutton, O.B.E., the Chairman, and to members of his hard-working committee.

The Board fully appreciates, too, that such a substantial merease reflects credit upon the Manager of the Art Union, Mr. Allan Major, and upon members of his staff. The Pathfinders Auxiliary Art Union No. 9 again showed an increase to achieve a new record of \$6,747. This is an outstanding result and reflects the tireless enthusiasm of the members of this Auxiliary.

CHANNEL 10 TELETHON 1976

One of the most outstanding fund-raising events of 1976 was the 28-hour live Easter Telethon, an all-out effort superbly organised by Channel 10. Running from 9.30 p.m. on Thursday, April 15th, through Good Friday to the early hours of Easter Saturday, the Telethon aimed at raising funds to assist the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre, North Rocks to expand its facilities. The big eash drive also assisted the Paraplegic and Quadriplegic Association of N.S.W.

The Telethon was officially launched by the Prime Minister, The Hon, Malcolm Fraser. A fabulous line-up of television and showbiz stars offered their services free to Channel 10 to support a programme of non-stop entertainment, to take calls and to acknowledge donations. Among the personalities were Ernie Sigley, Paul Hogan, Barry Crocker, Abigail, Tommy Hanlon, Stuart Wagstaff, Denise Drysdale, John Connell, the stars of No. 96 and The Box, The Celebrity Game, and dozens of other prominent entertainers. To receive thousands of calls which poured in from donors, a bank of 120 telephones was manned at the Channel 10 Studios by over a thousand members of the Sydney Rotaract Movement in continuous relays. The assistance and unstinting services of these wonderful young men and women is greatly appreciated by both benefitting organisations.

The McDonalds Hamburger Chain pulled out all stops to assist the drive for funds. Weeks ahead of the Telethon thousands of brightly-coloured collection tins were distributed through all their suburban outlets and children were invited to take a tin, collect in their area, and receive a free Big Mac hamburger when they returned it.

Over \$24,000 was raised through this unique collection. In addition to this splendid effort, McDonalds installed a kitchen, brought in staff, and provided at their expense, a continuous supply of food and refreshments throughout the Telethon for all those taking part.

APEX APPEAL

In March, Apex Clubs in Sydney and Newcastle launched a pre-telethon appeal at traffic lights throughout the city and metropolitan areas. Members of 20 clubs in Sydney and 8 in Newcastle, armed with collection boxes and colourful posters manned the busiest intersections and

raised \$20,840. Various clubs pre-ented then cheques throughout the Telethon.

The Board records its sincere thanks and appreciation to the Chairman and the Board of Directors to Channel 10, to its executives and staff and to all those who helped make Felethon 76 a magnificient success from which the Royal Institute benefitted by over \$200,000.

BOURBON STREET SEPTEMBERFEST

Mrs. Kerne Haines in 1975 raised \$1,054 through her West Ryde Bourbon Street Restaurant, redoubled her efforts in 1976 to raise money for the children at North Rocks. Again she organised a "Miss Bourbon" quest over a two week period in September and planned a huge range of activities, fun nights, special entertainers and menus. Mrs. Haines enlisted support from local merchants and gathered a huge selection of prizes for quest entrants and customers.

Sandra Bryant of Dolls Point was judged the winner and was crowned by Yaralla M.L.A. Lerryn Mutton ably supported by Frank Noble of Shenley Bourbon at the gala grand final. The Septemberfest raised the splendid sum of \$2,265.

A Life Membership of the Institute was presented to Mrs. Haines for her untiring and continuing interest in the North Rocks Centre and a special vote of thanks go to the entrants who supported Mrs. Haines so ably.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The Board conferred Life Memberships on the following persons and organisations during the year in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the welfare of the children:

Miss P. R. Arnott, Mr. G. G. Birdsall, Patricia Bluek, Sir Russell Drysdale, Mr. & Mrs. E. J. Dowsett, Trisha Dyer, Mr. Bill Fordham. Mrs. Maisie Fuller, Mrs. Edith Gilham, Mr. Bill Graf, Kerrie Haines, Margaret Haynes. Mr. Bruce Kent, Miss Joyce Kiggins, Denis Kominatos, Mr. George McCullagh, Mrs. Trudy McCullagh, Mrs. Olwin McDonald, Elsie Mary Millar, Mr. Maxwell Poynter, Mignon Peachley, Elsie Quirk, Iris Quigley, Winifred Ross, Annette Ritchie, Mr. John Saunders, Carol Smith, Mr. Cecil Tapp, Mrs. Daphne Unicomb. Mrs. Marie Walsh, Judy Webster and Mrs. H. S. Mathews.

CORPORATE LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Australian Order of Old Bastards: Girls Brigade of N.S.W.; Manly Vale Bowling Club; Normanhurst Boys High and the Rotary Club of Randwick.

STREET APPEALS

The annual Pen Day Appeal, which was held in Sydney on November 21, 1975, for the 10th successive year, was a resounding success and yielded a record total of more than \$40,000.

Once again the indefatigable boys from St. Andrew's Cathedral Choir School devoted their energies to selling pens in the city streets throughout the day. Their combined efforts raised \$7,416.



This year our Pen Friend was actress Susannah York. Here she buys the first pen from Darren, blind/multi-handicapped child, on Pen Day.

During the past 18 years the boys from St. Andrew's have contributed a total of \$78,191 to the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre. This is an amazing record, for which the Board is profoundly grateful.

The pupils of the following schools also gave valuable

and much appreciated help:-

Arthur Phillip High School; Asquith Boys' High School; Asquith Girls' High School; Bankstown Girls' High School; Barrenjoey High; Bethlehem College; Brigidine Convent, Randwick; Brigidine Convent, St. Ives; Catholic Girls' High School; Chatswood High School; Christian Brothers Regional High; Cumberland High School; De La Salle Brothers College; Homebush Boys' High School; Kingsgrove High School; Manly Boys' High School; Manly Girls' High School; Maria Regina, Avalon; Mater Maria, Warriewood; Meadowbank Boys' High; Normanhurst Boys' High; North Sydney Boys' High; Parramatta High School; Pittwater High School; Presbyterian Ladies College, Pymble; Randwick Boys' High; Randwick Girls' High; Randwick North High; Ryde High School; St.

Catherine's Church of England School for Girls; St. Mary's Star of the Sea; Strathfield South High; Willoughby Girls' High.

Pen Day in Wollongong was held on June 25, 1975, and a total of \$6,468 was raised. This amount, too, was a record.

We are sincerely grateful to the staff and students of:—Berkeley High School; Bulli High School; Corrimal High School; Corrimal East Public School; Dapto High School; Fairy Meadow Demonstration; Figtree High School; Illawarra Grammar; Kanahooka High School; Keira Boys' High School; Port Kembla High School; St. Anne's College; St. Mary's College; S.C.E.G.G.S., Smith Hill Girls' High School; Towradgi Primary School; Unanderra Public School; Warrawong High School; Wollongong High School, and Woonona High School.

Pen Days were also held at Avoca Beach, Bathurst, Blue Mountains, Gosford, Goulburn and Penrith, where the local schools again gave invaluable assistance and substantial returns were achieved.

ROYAL N.S.W. BOWLING ASSOCIATION PROJECT

The Royal N.S.W. Bowling Association launched an appeal last July, through its 761 affiliated bowling clubs, to raise \$250,000 for the new wing of the Multi-Handi-capped Blind School, which will accommodate another 40 children.

This appeal was spearheaded by the State President, Mr. Don Isaaes. It followed an inspection of the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre by Mr. Isaaes and Bowling Association officials, who were deeply impressed by the work being carried out at the Multi-Handicapped Blind School and the Deaf Blind Trainable School.

This outstanding project was launched in the August edition of the Association's journal "Bowls in N.S.W." which goes to every bowler in N.S.W. and continuing publicity has been and will be devoted to it in subsequent issues.

Clubs throughout N.S.W. are responding generously to the President's appeal.

This undertaking by a generous body of Australian sportsmen, known for their continuing support of the disadvantaged in our community, will help ensure a future for these special children.

Gail, a blind/multihandicapped child, kisses Harvey Swan, a Coffs Harbour interstate player who with State President of the R.N.S.W.B.A., Mr. Don Isaacs recently visited the blind multi-handicapped school.



TRAINING ASIAN TEACHERS

Following the Institute's representation at the conferences on Bhild and Deaf Blind Education in Singapore and Penang in 1975, requests were made by a number of schools for the Blind in the area for provision of teacher training scholarships in multi-handicapped blind education.

Your Board has been able to arrange accordingly and the first scholarship student is Mrs. Marni Krishnan who is at present enrolled with the Nepean College of Advanced Education where she is undertaking a course in teaching the deal/blind. She is also scheduled to study in an institution in-service situation both in the residential care and teaching of the multi-handicapped blind.

Mrs. Krishnan is making good progress. By the end of 1977 she should become a qualified teacher, properly accredited to set up a programme for the multi-handicapped blind in the Singapore School for the Blind.

Your Board will continue to make these scholarships available on request to properly qualified Asian teachers.

NEW EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT

Mr. T. Southwell-Keely resigned early in the year as Chief of Public Relations. He remains on a part-time basis with the Institute to produce the journal and brochures as required from time to time. Appreciation of his service is recorded by the Board.

Mr. R. Steele was appointed to fill the vacancy arising and took up duties with the Institute early in the year. Mr. Steele comes with an excellent background in the field of public relations and promotions and with experience in the journalistic field and, more latterly and for some years, with Greater Union Theatres in the promotional side of the film industry.

"MIRACLE AT NORTH ROCKS"

A new 16 mm colour film entitled "Miraele at North Rocks" was made by veteran, award-winning, film-maker John Kingsford-Smith of Kingcroft Productions and became available for general distribution early in October 1976.

The film eaptures graphically current activities, the education, living and learning skills achieved by pupils in the various schools and units at the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre at North Rocks. "Miracle at North Rocks" is introduced by a former student of the Central School for the Blind, Ross McGregor, who graduated into the Public Relations field from the Institute's Public Relations section. The narrator was Channel 10 newsman Eric Walters. The film is now available to be shown to clubs and groups throughout N.S.W.

LOVELY MOTHERHOOD QUEST

Entrants in the 1975/76 Lovely Motherhood Quest raised a total amount of \$76,000.00, a magnificent new record in the Quest's fifth year of operation.

The Quest was sponsored by Grace Bros., the "Daily Mirror" and Channel 10 and culminated in a glittering half-hour colour presentation on Channel 10 on Mother's

Day last May.

The winner of the Lovely Motherhood Quest was an attractive mother of three, Mrs. Helena Fingleton of Randwick. Her daughter Arabella was her co-entrant. Runner-up was Mrs. Rhonda Moloney of St. Ives, who entered with her co-entrant Tegan.

Mrs. Toni-Rose Robson, also of Randwick, won the title of Charity Queen. Toni-Rose, an ex-pupil of our North Rocks Centre, was sponsored by the Randwick Lantern

Club.

The amount raised by the Charity Queen and the Club

was \$13,360.00.

The 1976/77 Lovely Motherhood Quest is now well under way with more than \$20,000.00 in prizes. The Quest is being sponsored by the "Sunday Telegraph", Grace Bros, and Channel 10. Launched last October, the Quest has already attracted a record number of entrants from all parts of the State.

We acknowledge with thanks the following donors of

major prizes:-

Suttons Motors; Singapore Airlines; N.S.W. Permanent Building Society; Newmans Coach Tours; Apollo Hi-Fi Centre; Ansett Airlines of Australia; Encyclopaedia Britannica; Precision Sewing Services Pty. Ltd.; Email Ltd.; Sarah Coventry, Berlei; Innoxa; L. Bonney & Co. Pty. Ltd.; Berney Studios; Spectra Pty. Ltd.; Slumberland; Chevron Paradise Hotel; Travelodge; Hanimex Pty. Ltd.; Salamander Hotel/Motel, Port Stephens; Monier Wonder Wok; Kosta Boda Glassware; Calandra Cellars; Parker Pens; Prue Acton; Ure Smith and Samantha's Place.



The compere, Mr. Jeremy Cordeaux, with the 1976 "Lovely Motherhood Quest Winners: Left, Mrs. Toni-Rose Robson, Charity Queen; Mrs. Helena Fingleton, the winner; and Mrs. Rhonda Molony, the runner-up".



Stephen, a blind/
multi-handicapped child,
learns to play a violin
from one of the students
of the Conservatorium
who visited the Centre
recently.

OANTAS FLIGHT 1976

For 138 deaf and blind children from the North Rocks Centre, one of the highlights of 1976 was a flight on a

Oantas Boeing 707.

It was the ninth successive flight Qantas Airways Limited and the Pathfinders Auxiliary have organised. The plane was under the command of Qantas' senior Boeing 707 skipper, Captain Ken Davenport. The air crew donated their time, and Shell freely provided 1,000 gallons of fuel.

The excited children spent an hour in the air on a spectacular low altitude cruise over Sydney and coastal areas. A surprise event on the hour long jaunt was the appearance of Santa Claus who created a sensation. Another novelty was the arrival on the tarmac of "Blossom", a small pet kangaroo, representing Qantas' mascot, the flying kangaroo.

Director Mr. M. C. Timbs and Hon. Secretary Mr. W. E.

Hasemer represented the Board on the flight.

Mr. Pat McGann, President of the Pathfinders Auxiliary, and also a Qantas Flight Service Director, was in charge of cabin service on the flight.

On landing, each child received a novelty bag containing sweets, party hat, Qantas kangaroo pin, route map book and biscuits. Santa Claus, assisted by members of Path-

finders, presented a gift to every child.

The annual aerial exeursion is organised by the Pathfinders Auxiliary which comprises 40 members of Qantas air crew and their friends. It was founded in 1967 to raise funds for our deaf and blind children and to date has raised more than \$60,000.00

The Board takes this opportunity of extending grateful thanks to Qantas Airways and its staff for again making the flight a wonderful oceasion for the children.

MEMORABLE VISITS

The Royal Institute has achieved international stature in standards of education and training at the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre at North Roeks, and many educationists from overseas and interstate visited the Centre during the year to study the methods employed. Many outstanding personalities too, inspected the Centre

and all expressed admiration for the work being earried on. The happy admosphere at the Centre was invariably

commented upon.

The Admiral of the Fleet, Lord Louis Mountbatten, who is the uncle of the Duke of Edinburgh, was visibly moved when he inspected the Multi-handicapped Blind School in February last. Later he described the progress achieved

with these children as "a modern miraele".

Many visiting overseas artists took time off from their engagements to visit North Rocks, including the English comedian Derek Nimmo. The blind American singer. Tom Sullivan, who has never let his handicap prevent him from engaging upon sometimes hazardous activities, won the hearts of the blind children when he visited them. He made a lasting impression upon them with his morale-building philosophy. He counselled them to

Admiral of the Fleet Lord Louis Mountbatten, presents a cheque for \$2,000 to our President Sir Garfield Barwick from the Variety Club of Australia.



The Annual Christmas Flight held by the Pathfinders Auxiliary is always one the highlights of the children's year. Here Mr. Walter Hasemer, the honorary secretary of the Institute, Mr. Pat McGann, President of the Pathfinders Auxiliary, and Santa Claus are with some of the deaf and multi-handicapped blind children.



regard their blindness as "just an inconvenience", which should not prevent them from achieving what they set out to do.

Joan Sutherland, who has given long and valued support to the Institute, visited the Centre during her last Australian tour, and it was appropriate that while at the Centre, both she and her husband, Riehard Bonynge, were made Life Governors in recognition of their continuing interest in the children.

The President and members of the executive of the Royal N.S.W. Bowling Association displayed their interest in community welfare affairs by spending several hours at

the Centre.

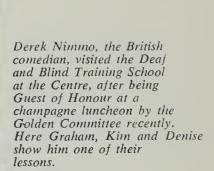
Other celebrities who visited North Rocks included the Stars of the Australian Opera and the country and western singer Lester Coombs.

GREYHOUND MEETINGS

The N.S.W. National Coursing Association and the N.S.W. Greyhound Breeders Owners and Trainers Association staged two special Greyhound Meetings at Wentworth Park and Harold Park in 1976. Again, the Institute was one of the benefitting charities.

Twenty media personalities from newspapers, radio and television added a note of hilarity and novelty when they took part in a special presentation at both meetings ealled "The Cold Nose Cup". Mr. Ted Thompson of the Greyhound Breeders, Owners and Trainers Association and Mr. John Badham of the National Coursing Association gave generously of their time and greatly assisted to ensure the success of these meetings.





PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

The Board sineerely thanks all sections of the press, radio and television for their unstinting support during 1976. State and national media have given very generous publicity to the activities of the children at North Roeks and our numerous fund-raising events. This has brought the work of the Institute and the North Roeks Centre constantly before the community.

This assistance is of inestimable worth to this Royal Institute. Without it our activities would be much restricted.



The Board takes this opportunity of paying tribute to the loyalty and hard work of the Staff, both at the 'Walkley House' Head Office and at the Deaf and Blind Children's Centre at North Rocks.

The compassion and understanding shown to the children at North Rocks by the Staff has created that intensely happy admosphere on which visitors invariably comment.

GARFIELD E. BARWICK President.

W. E. HASEMER Honorary Secretary.

Sydney, January 3, 1977.



Tom Sullivan, the blind entertainer from the United States, urged an admiring group of blind kiddies to regard their blindness as an "inconvenience" rather than a handicap.

Directory of Committees, Auxiliaries and Clubs

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THE GOLDEN COMMITTEE President: Lady Barwick Vice-Presidents: Mrs. F. Chauvel, O.B.E., Mrs. P. Colvin, M.B.E., Mrs. R. I. Joseph, Mrs. M. Fisner, Mrs. C. Paspalis, Lady Ferguson Deputy Chairwomen, Mrs D Graliam, Lady Sutton Hon Secretary, Mrs. B Bedford Hon Treasurer: Lady Walkley Assist Hon, Treasurer: Mrs. R. G. Reynolds Executive Members: Mrs. A. W. Butterell Miss J. Christmas Inaugural Meeting: July, 1963 SILVER COMMITTEE President: Mrs. J. Spellson Vice-President: Mrs. J. Diamond Chairman: Mr. J. Hennessy Deputy Chairman; Mr. V. Jurisich Hon. Secretary: Mrs. R. Pye Asst. Hon. Secretary: Miss R. Edwards
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PARENTS & FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF & BLIND CHILDREN'S CENTRE President; Mr. R. Blackall Vice-Presidents: Mr. R. Lamont, Mr. N Sinnott Hon. Secretary: Mrs. R. Woellner Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. R. Lamont Publicity Officer: Mrs. R. Blackall Inaugural Meeting: May 16, 1972 ABSTRACTS COMMITTEE President: Mr. G. Skarratt Vice-President: Miss P. Cook Hon, Treasurer: Mr. T. Todman Hon. Secretary: Miss C. McAfee Executive Member: Mr. Graham Vestey Inaugural Meeting: March 1965 GOULBURN COMMITTEE President: Mr. C. B. Thompson Secretary/Treasurer: Mrs. N Nicholson NEWCASTLE GOLDEN LIGHT COMMITTEE President: Mrs. P. Peschar Vice-Presidents: Mrs. R. J. Mitchell and Mrs. Potts Hon Secretary: Mrs. V. Giles Asst. Secretary: Mrs. Saddington Hon Treasurer: Mrs. K. Rich Asst. Treasurer: Mrs. A. Farquhar-Smith Publicity Officer: Mrs. Rodgers Asst. Publicity Officer: Mrs. R. Lindsay HAYWIRE COMMITTEE President: Mr. Richard Tucker Vice-Presidents: Mr. Peter Ward, Miss Jan Collins

Hon Secretary: Miss Helen Jackson

Publicity Officer: Mr. Peter Ward Inaugural Meeting: August 12, 1975 LADY PATHFINDERS AUXILIARY President Mrs R Wilkinson Vice Presidents, Mrs. G. Christie, Mrs. Hon Secretary Mrs. C Smith Hon Treasurer, Captain R Wilkinson

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AVOCA BEACH LANTERN CLUB President Mrs R Mylecharane Vice-Presidents Mr. A. White, Mrs. D. Prebble Hon Secretary Mrs E Quirk Hon Treasurer Mrs B Hint Publicity Officer Mrs I Blatchley Inaugural Meeting April 12, 1972 BANKSIOWN LANIERN CLUB President Mrs. I: Mirray Vice-Presidents: Mrs. C. 1. McKenna. Mrs W R Bright Hon, Secretary, Mrs. K. Ryan. Hon Treasurer, Mrs. H. Whibley Publicity Officer Mrs. C. I. McKenna Inaugural Meeting. August 25, 1971 BELMONT LANTERN CLUB President: Mrs. J. Millington Vice-Presidents: Mrs. M. Jaeger, Mrs. B. Flanagan Hon. Secretary: Mrs. J. Russell. Hon. Treasurer: Mrs W Potts Publicity Officer: Mrs R Harden Inaugural Meeting June 7, 1973 BERESFIELD & DISTRICT LANTERN CLUB. President: Miss E Nixon Hon. Secretary: Mrs. E. Mahon Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. O Barnes Patron: Mr. W. Barratt Inaugural Meeting: May 1, 1975 BLACKTOWN & DISTRICT TANTERN CLUB President: Mrs. H. Mountain Vice-Presidents: Mrs. E. Vidler, Mrs. D. Redwood Hon, Secretary: Mrs. C. Turner Asst. Hon. Secretary: Mrs. N. Thorp. Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. P. Wylie Asst. Hon. Treasurer Publicity Officer Mrs. L. Gross Patron: Mrs. C. Wigg Inaugural Meeting: May 23, 1972 BLUE MOUNTAINS LANTERN CLUB President: Mrs. W. Lupton Vice-Presidents: Mrs. 1. Dwyer, Mrs. R Holgate, Mrs. M. Ainsworth, Mrs. R Maxwell Hon. Secretary: Mrs. E. Randall Hon, Treasurer: Mrs. E. Dooley Social Secretary: Mrs. J. Walsh Asst Social Secretary, Mrs. S. Sprogue Publicity Officer: Mrs. K. Wooley Inaugural Meeting: October 9, 1969 CENTRAL WARRINGAIL LANTERN CLUB. President Mrs. V. Davison Vice-Presidents: Mrs. D. Margan, Mrs. M Dyer Hon. Secretary: Mrs. J. Gow Hon, Treasurer: Mis. B. J. Harbutt Publicity Officer: Mrs B Huntington Inaugural Meeting March 25, 1969

Inaugural Meeting: June 1, 1966.

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President: Mrs. H. Babbage
Vice-Presidents: Mrs. J. Birdsall, Mrs. J.
Malouf
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. K. Maughan
Social Secretary: Mrs. R. Johnstone
Asst. Secretary: Mrs. J. Elrington

Hon, Secretary: Mrs. R. Maughan Social Secretary: Mrs. R. Johnstone Asst, Secretary: Mrs. J. Elrington Hon, Treasurer: Mrs. E. Lumb Publicity Officer: Mrs. Judy Payne Inaugural Meeting: February 15, 1965

DAPTO LANTERN CLUB

President: Mrs. J. Brett Vice-Presidents: Mrs. A. Sewell, Mrs. K. Kirk Hon. Secretary: Mrs. R. Preo Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. S. Pearce Publicity Officer: Mrs. A. Massey Inaugural Meeting: May 24, 1976

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Vice-Presidents: Mrs. L. Christensen,
Mrs. J. Auld
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. C. L. Goldstone
Asst. Secretary: Mrs. T. Allan
Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. N. S. Ware
Publicity Officer: Mrs. T. Allan
Inaugural Meeting: September 20, 1972

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Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. E. A. Page
Asst. Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. A. L. Donnelly
Inaugural Meeting: April 30, 1964

GUNNEDAH LANTERN CLUB
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Vice-Presidents; Mrs. J. Buchanan, Mrs.
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Inaugural Meeting: October 1, 1970

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Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. A. Page
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Publicity Officer: Mrs. S. Pemberton
Inaugural Meeting: August 14, 1973

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Publicity Officer: Mrs. L. Campbell
Inaugural Meeting: November 9, 1971

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Patroness: Mrs. E. Fraser
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P. Luckner
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Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. W. J. Quayle
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Inaugural Meeting: March 24, 1966

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Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. P. Phelan
Asst. Hon .Treasurer: Mrs. C. Pashley
Publicity Officers: Mrs. M. Hughes, Mrs.
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Inaugural Meeting: September 17, 1965

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Asst. Hon. Secretary: Miss D. Malcolm
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Asst. Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. M. D. Swalwell
Inaugural Meeting: May 4, 1964

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Publicity Officer: Mrs. F. Lynch
Patrons: Mrs. Lamrock, Mrs. B. King
Inaugural Meeting: June 19, 1973

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Asst. Treasurer: Mrs. A. Davis
Inaugural Meeting: September 23, 1964

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Asst. Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. W. Burke
Publicity Officer: Mrs. R. Mobbs
Opportunity Convenor: Mrs. V. Phillips
Patroness: Mrs. N. Luscombe
Inaugural Meeting: May 27, 1964

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Inaugural Meeting: October 17, 1973

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Asst. Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. K. Dyson Inaugural Meeting: October I, 1970

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Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. H. Magee
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Inaugural Meeting: June 27, 1973

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Hon. Secretary: Mrs. G. Swain
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Publicity Officer: Mrs. P. Rosalki
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BEQUEST

FORM OF BEQUEST TO THE ROYAL N S.W. INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

I give and bequeath unto the Royal N.S.W. Institute for Deaf and Blind Children the sum of free of Death Duty and Federal Estate Duty to be applied for the purpose of the said Institute in such manner and at such times as the Board of Directors thereof may from time to time determine and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer of the said Institute shall be a complete discharge to my Executors for the moneys paid in accordance with this bequest. The following is the proper attestation to a Will:

Signed by the above-named testator as and for his last Will in our presence who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses

Signature and Addresses

Note: The Royal N.S.W. Institute for Deaf and Blind Children is a body corporate constituted under an Act of Parliament of the State of New South Wales. It is governed and managed by a Board of Directors. The treasurer is a member of

DONATION

Honorary Treasurer,

The Royal N.S.W. Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, "Walkley House", 111-115 Chandos Street, St. Leonards 2065

I/We enclose my/our cheque for \$ to the work of The Royal N.S.W. Institute for Deaf and Blind Children.

Date

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